

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with John R. Lastova on 04/08/2011.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application:

27. (Currently Amended) A method for providing a certain quality of service to a user-device in a mobile telecommunication system, which system comprises different coverage areas, and a plurality of user-devices each linked to a user-register, which method comprises the steps of:

assigning one or more priority-groups to the user-register of the user-device, each priority-group being unique for a group of multiple users,

providing at least one priority-table associated with one or several coverage areas of the system that includes multiple priority-levels, each priority-level associated with a quality of service and assigned one or more priority-groups, and

providing said priority-table with an area-identifier that associates the priority-table with a coverage area,

~~including distributing to the user-register in the user-device and/or predefining the user register in the user device~~

distributing the priority-table to the user-device when the user-device enters a coverage area associated with the priority table,

the user-device then comparing the distributed priority-table with the user register in the user-device, and

if one of the priority-groups defined in the user-register and one of the priority-groups in the distributed priority-table match, then assigning to the user device the quality of service associated with a priority-level for the one priority-group in the priority-table so that the one priority group of multiple users can be provided with the assigned quality of service, and

determining limitations on the quality of service in the user-device such that the user-device determines whether it is allowed to establish a traffic channel.

36. (Currently Amended) A mobile telecommunication system, comprising:
different coverage areas,
a plurality of user-devices each including ~~being provided with~~ a corresponding user-register,

the user-register of a user-device being assigned one or more priority-groups, each priority-group being unique for a group of multiple users,

multiple priority-tables, each associated with one or several coverage areas of the system and provided with multiple priority-levels, each priority level being associated with a quality of service and assigned to one or more priority-groups, each priority-table having an area-identifier that associates the priority-table with a coverage area,

the user device being configured to identify one of the priority-tables by matching a present coverage area for the user-device with one of the coverage areas associated with the priority-tables using the area-identifier,

the user device being configured to match one of the priority-groups defined in the user-register with one of the priority-groups in the identified priority-table, and

means for assigning, based on the match, the quality of service associated with the priority-level for the one priority-group in the identified priority table ~~assigned~~ to the user-device so that the ~~a~~ one priority-group of multiple users can be provided with a particular quality of service,

wherein said user device is further arranged to determine whether it is allowed to establish a traffic channel.

43. (Currently Amended) A mobile telecommunication system, wherein a certain quality of service is provided by at least one of a core network (CN) or a radio network controller (RNC) to a user-device within the system, which system comprises different coverage areas, and a plurality of user-devices each ~~being provided with~~ including a corresponding user-register, which system comprises:

the user-register of a user-device assigned with one or more priority-groups, each priority-group being unique for a group of multiple users,

multiple priority-tables, each associated with one or several coverage areas of the system and provided with multiple priority-levels, each priority level being associated with a quality of service ~~each and~~ assigned to one or more priority-groups, each

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priority-table having ~~and~~ an area-identifier that associates the priority-table with a coverage area,

wherein the user-device is configured to:

identify a present coverage area for said user-device,

identify one of the priority-tables by matching the present coverage area for the user-device with one of the coverage areas associated with the priority-tables using the area-identifier, and

match a priority-group defined in the user-register and a priority-group in the identified priority-table and have a quality of service associated with a priority-level for the matched priority-group in the ~~a~~ identified priority-table assigned to the user-device so that the matched priority group of multiple users can be provided with a particular quality of service.

wherein said user device is further arranged to determine whether it is allowed to establish a traffic channel.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 27-30, 32, 34-37, 39, 41, 43-44, and 46 are allowed.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ZEWDU BEYEN whose telephone number is (571)270-7157. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00am-6:00pm, M-F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Huy Vu can be reached on 571-272-3155. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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